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Fr. Wagner Streamlined Alumni

Because of the interest shown by our alumni concerning the early beginnings of Saint Joseph's College, the following article, which was researched by Father Dominic Gerlach, associate professor of history, was compiled by Charles J. Schuttrow, Director of Public Information, and is now offered to our alumni in this Bicentennial year.



FATHER BOEBNER

An interim presidency might seem like a relatively unimportant item in the history of Saint Joseph's College, but Father Benedict Boebner, the school's second president, enhanced past programs and made the way for future progress during his term of 1899-1902.

Father Boebner joined Saint Joseph's faculty in 1891 at the age of 31 following eight years as pastor of a church in Ottawa, Ohio. He served as Father Seifert's right-hand man as vice-president and disciplinarian, then assumed the presidency in September of 1899 when Father Seifert became rector of Saint Charles Seminary at Carthage, Ohio.

Father Seifert completed curriculum reform at Carthage and resumed the college presidency in November, 1902, whereupon Father Boebner became rector at Saint Charles. During his presidency, however, Father Boebner continued his support of campus programs, making Collegeville a still better place to study, pray, and live.

Growth of the physical plant and development of campus clubs highlighted his presidency. In 1900, the college erected an enormous barn, supposedly the largest in the state—150 feet long, 75 feet wide and 75 feet tall. Standing where the western part of Halleck Center now is, it was a bank barn with the dairy department in its basement.

In February, 1901, Father Boebner helped organize the first varsity baseball team (Rensselaer businessmen donated \$70 for uniforms the following year) and in June, 1902, the first gymnastic club was established.

An accurate picture of Father Boebner is gained by looking at the years before he became president. He served as a teacher, vice-president and prefect of discipline, and students recall him as being very stern and rigid, though they sensed this sternness was considered by him as duty demanded of his office, and that such severity was not natural to him.

A warm, considerate counselor, Father Boebner was a buffer between the student and Father Seifert. He encouraged student initiative and carried their requests to the president. Thus many of the school organizations of the early days, possibly most of them, had their inception with Father Boebner.

FR. WAGNER: "BETTER TO WEAR OUT THAN RUST OUT."

Between 1892 and 1895 he helped organize the Columbian Literary Society, a school military drill team, the first college band, baseball and football teams, the choir, and *The Collegian*, the school's first publication. Of these, Father Boebner is best remembered for his work with the military organization.

The military was a popular campus activity (college sports were still in their infancy) during these years of extrovert patriotism in an age that produced Theodore Roosevelt and William J. Bryan. Organized in 1892, the group was called the "Seifert Light Guards." The following year it was expanded to include a Company "B" and from the two were selected the "Boebner Columbian Guards" for special maneuvers and fancy drills.

This drill team performed on school holidays (together with the college band), on special off-campus occasions and as an honor guard and escort when the bishop came and left the college. May 25, 1894, marked the start of an annual "military day" featuring a military Mass, blessing of the flag, oratory and in 1897 even "The Storming of Ft. Thomas" by the Saint Joseph's Battalion.

At the end of military day, judges awarded good performers and promotions in rank were made for the following year. As the military interest grew, equipment improved until in 1898 the drill team acquired fancy uniforms and an elite group called themselves the Columbian Zouaves.

A baseball team was first organized in 1901, and by the following year interest in the military began to decline. Next the military was organized into the "Saint Joseph's Volunteers," with membership, oddly enough, becoming obligatory. But by 1907 uniforms and firearms were discarded and only drills were still held. The last drill was held in the fall of 1909.

After two years (1902-04) as rector of Saint Charles Seminary, Father Boebner moved to St. Joseph, Mo., from where he traveled to and served parish missions until 1916. In that year, he returned to Jasper County, taking up residence in what is now Drexel Hall.

From 1916 until 1933 Father Boebner served the Church in America in many other apostolates. He was editor of *The Messenger* and *Der Botschafter*, for example. His last work was as chaplain at the Maria-Joseph Home near Dayton, Ohio. Pneumonia, complicated by a long-time diabetic condition, ended his life on Feb. 7, 1937.

Father Augustine Seifert returned to Saint Joseph's in 1902 to once again become president of the school. When he retired as president in 1913, it became evident that the leadership gap must be filled by someone with the same dedication and foresight that earmarked the first two college presidents.

Though history might regard him as something of an interim president, that necessary leadership was provided by Father Hugo Lear, a native of Wapakoneta, Ohio, who entered the Society of the Precious Blood at the age of 25. A barber by trade, he was accepted as a novice at the Indian School in 1889 and was ordained in 1899, the same year he joined Saint Joseph's faculty.

Records do not detail the full range of Father Lear's duties, although he was director of athletics and military for a while. His term as president was short (1913-16), but these were three important years in college history.

First, the school's administration was revised to meet the growing enrollment (now more than 300) that placed too many burdens on one person. Presidential duties then as now were enormous, so curriculum reform was entrusted to a young professor, Father Ignatius Wagner, who had just returned from the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., where he was the first Saint Joseph's College man to earn a doctorate.

One of his reforms was that the college did not grant the A.B. degree after 1914, and administrative offices were more differentiated, especially that of "Secretary and Prefect of Studies" now held by Father Wagner.

A second major decision was the move to enlarge the "old gym." This brick structure, standing approximately where Science Hall now does, was built in 1904-05 and was largely limited to housing a combination gym and auditorium plus a few reading and music rooms in the octagonal towers at the east entrance. In 1913, the delicate process of lifting the entire building ten feet higher from the foundation was begun, and a section for physics and chemistry facilities was added to the west end.

This work was barely finished when, about 4 a.m. on Apr. 2, 1914, early-rising students noticed the "old gym" was on fire. As was the case with students who detected the early-morning fire that destroyed the SJC Administration Building on Feb. 4, 1973, these students sought to rescue equipment until their safety dictated otherwise.

Loss of the "old gym" came as a profound shock to the college, not only because it was a major building, but because the total loss was estimated at \$75,000 and less-than-adequate insurance was \$25,000. Despite the loss, some observers termed it a blessing in disguise, since facilities of the renovated "old gym" were inadequate and the building itself was not very attractive.

The Society of the Precious Blood came to the rescue by generously appropriating money for the erection of the present Science Hall (minus the west wing), a much more adequate building. This generosity was particularly appreciated, because the Society had only a few years earlier provided much of the funding to complete the chapel in 1910. Building on Science Hall began in the summer of 1914 and it was ready for occupancy in the fall of 1915.



FATHER LEAR

Then during June 19-21, 1916, Saint Joseph's observed its silver jubilee highlighted by a major celebration and publication of an illustrated booklet reviewing the school's first 25 years.

During the summer of 1916, Father Wagner re-

placed Father Lear as president and Father Lear spent the rest of his life in convent chaplaincies.

Father Lear suffered a stroke and died May 15, 1932. In his obituary it was noted that he was an "unassuming" person. "His sanctity possessed that subtle, charming quality of not causing others to suffer because of it."

Father Ignatius Wagner, the fourth president of Saint Joseph's, once said, "it is better to wear out than rust out," and he lived this motto during the next nine progressive years of 1916-25.

Father Wagner became the youngest college president in the nation when he was appointed at the age of 33, and he was the first alumnus to serve as president and the first member of the college faculty to hold any academic degree.

A soft-spoken, dedicated, systematic and persistent worker, his life was typified by hard and continuous service. One of the most capable men in the Precious Blood Society's history, he reorganized the college administration in 1913 and during his presidency the school witnessed academic improvement, streamlining of an alumni association, growth in the physical plant and expansion of farm holdings.

Then during 12 years (1926-38) as Provincial of the Society of the Precious Blood, Father Wagner expertly steered the Society through the Great Depression. High regard quickly came for this Ohio native who historians say was not the over-bearing autocrat like Father Augustine Seifert (SJC's first president), yet was not very convivial or glad-handed.

Father Wagner first came to Saint Joseph's as a student during 1898-1904, then continued his studies at Saint Charles Seminary in Carthage, Ohio, where



FATHER WAGNER

he was ordained Feb. 11, 1908. Four years later he earned a doctorate in chemistry from the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

Joining the faculty in 1912, he taught the sciences and was responsible for administrative reorganization whereby the dean of studies became a separate function for the president. In 1914-15 he supervised the building of the east part of the present Science Hall.

Granting of A.B. degrees was discontinued after 1914, and the catalog for 1915-16 showed considerable change in format. In place of the A.B., a "diploma" for completing the classical course (six years) was granted. Diplomas also were given for completing the academic course (four years) and the commercial course.

Father Wagner was largely running the college during the presidency of Father Hugo Lear, so his immediate adoption to the duties of the office in 1916 came as no surprise. First, he continued to improve SJC academically in several ways.

Teachers were sent away to pursue recognized academic degrees, in 1917 the high school (academy) gained accreditation and in 1919 SJC was accredited as a junior college. The first textbook published by a college faculty member appeared in 1917.

Though the Alumni Association was organized at the time of the first graduation in 1896, Father Wagner directed the organization and printing of the first alumni directory, numbering approximately 1800 former students. The first Alumni Day was held in the spring of 1919, featuring a baseball game in which the alumni defeated the college team.

World War I didn't disturb the college as much as two serious epidemics in 1918: a January outbreak of small pox and an autumn epidemic of Spanish influenza that closed the school for a month. Fortunately, there were no fatalities.

Supported enthusiastically by Father Albin Scheidler, the Turner Club became a major extracurricular activity in 1916. Physical plant changes during 1919-23 included installation of three chapel bells, plus the tower clock and present pipe organ, and most of all, the completion of the current powerhouse in 1923. In addition, tennis courts were relocated to their present spot north of Science Hall while internal improvements were undertaken in many buildings and farm structures were relocated.

In October of 1921, the Society of the Precious Blood donated the 420-acre farm on which Drexel Hall stands. The college, however, had little interest in the former Indian School building other than to use it as a storehouse for the farm from 1922-37, when it was remodeled into a dormitory.

Thus Father Wagner supervised many changes during 1916-25, all which added to the worth and viability of Saint Joseph's. However, other plans formulated at a higher level in the Society of the Precious Blood abruptly changed the course of the school's development: it was decided by the Board of Trustees to abandon the policy of accepting non-priesthood students and convert SJC into what was then re-named (for two years) Saint Joseph's Preparatory Seminary. Father Wagner's term ended in June, 1925.

Fortunately, his connection with the college didn't end here. In June of 1926, he began a 12-year term as Provincial of the Society of the Precious Blood, serving as Chairman of the Board of Trustees.



Alumni Class Notes

1934

Edward Fischer has written a book, *Light in the Far East*, which will be published in November. His next book assignment begins in the fall and will take him to the Philippines, the Canary Islands, and Ireland.

1942

Edward R. Fleming Jr., has retired from the Federal Bureau of Investigation after 33 years of service.

1946

Romain Wilhelmsen was the featured speaker of the 11th annual Travel and Adventure Series, presented by the Kiwanis Club of Louisville, in March, 1976.

1953

Daniel P. Deneau has recently published a number of reviews of British and European fiction. These have been published in the *International Fiction Review*, *Studies in Short Fiction*, and the *Arizona Quarterly*.

1959

James B. Haverty has recently been appointed district manager for the United States Steel Supply Division in Detroit.

1960

P. Joseph McMullen has been named exploration manager for Central and South America by the Tesoro Petroleum Corporation.

1965

John S. Varso has earned his master's degree and is currently teaching sixth and seventh grade history and coaching the wrestling team at the Whitehall Middle School.

1966

Michael R. Moore has received his Ph.D. in biochemistry from the University of Georgia and is currently working as a research associate in the Department of Biochemistry of the University of Iowa.

1967

Jim Danehy is currently employed by the Agricultural and Veterinary Products Division of Abbott Laboratories as the regional manager for Southern Latin America. He is in charge of sales and marketing for the division's affiliate operations in Argentina, Brazil, Peru, and Uruguay, as well as for direct export activity in Bolivia, Chile and Paraguay.

1969

Jesse Taggart has been named manager of young farmer programs for the Michigan Farm Bureau at Lansing. He is currently serving as a representative for the organization's northwest region.

James Pigman is a C.P.A. and has recently become a partner with Fruth and Co., a C.P.A. firm.

Sr. Marie Welter, O.L.V.M., is currently serving as the coordinator of the Cathedral Out-Reach program in Salt Lake City. The program was designed to meet the needs of the elderly within the diocese.



HAVERTY, '59

1970

Richard Hinton has received his master's degree in learning disability and is employed as a learning disability teacher at Marie Curie High School in Chicago. He is also working on a doctorate in educational administration at Loyola.

1971

Dennis Jackson was awarded an M.D. degree from the University of Pittsburgh in May, 1975, and is currently serving a residency in anesthesiology.

Marzetta Jackson has completed her master's degree in social work from the University of Pittsburgh and is now working as a social worker for a child abuse program in New Jersey.

Jay Edward Miller has been admitted to the Indiana Association of C.P.A.'s. He is currently employed as a supervisor for Coopers and Lybrand in Fort Wayne.

James Kaspar is teaching math and physics at Serra High School in McKeesport, Pa.



DANEHY, '67

1972

Gary M. Luiz, C.P.P.S., was ordained to the diaconate May 1.

Allen Pepping was recently promoted to sales manager for Burroughs Corp., Chicago, south branch.

Pat McShane has completed management training for the Hyatt Corporation. He is currently employed as an executive at the Lincolnwood Hyatt House.

James F. McGillin has received a master of architecture degree from the Graduate School of Design, Harvard University.

Richard Wheeler has purchased the Evansville Linen Service. He is the head wrestling coach and assistant football coach at an Evansville high school.

The Rev. Mr. **John A. Wanner, C.P.P.S.**, was ordained to the diaconate Apr. 3 at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Chicago.

1975

Jane Hils is a trust associate for the First National Bank of Cincinnati and will be attending the University of Cincinnati School of Law in the fall.

MARRIAGES

Gerald Ciresi '74 and **Patricia Ellen Donohue**, May 17, 1975

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Echle '66, Dec. 6, 1975

Timothy Szkutulski '75 and **Delores Powers '76**, Feb. 7, 1976

James J. Foulkner and **Rosemarie Clark '68**, Jan. 2, 1976.

BIRTHS

Marie Alana, born Mar. 1 to Mr. and Mrs. **Allen Pepping '72**

Jodi Ellyn, born Dec. 29, 1975 to Mr. and Mrs. **Paul Kaszubski '69**

Erin Elizabeth, born Jan. 5 to Mrs. and Mrs. **James Pigman '69**

Michael Justin, born June 19, 1975 to Mr. and Mrs. **Phil Deaver '68**

Sarah, born Apr. 5, 1975 to Mr. and Mrs. **Bob Lauer '66**

Daniel Stephen, born Jan. 18 to Mr. and Mrs. **David K. Mann '60**

Mork David, born Mar. 21 to Mr. and Mrs. **David C. Scudder '71**

Beth Ann, born Mar. 10 to Mr. and Mrs. **Art Voellinger '63**

Lisa Michele, born Dec. 5 to Mr. and Mrs. **Richard Voso (Deborah E. Rau '72)**

DEATHS

Michael A. Green, '10, Dec. 27, 1975

Rev. Joseph McNicholas, C.P.P.S., '47

Douglas Rainford, '73, Feb. 27, 1976

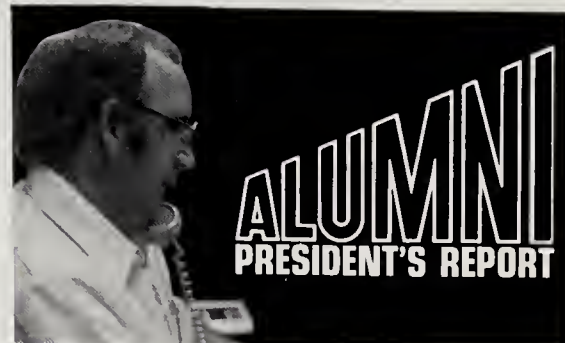
James M. Shay, '28, Feb. 2, 1976

Rev. Joseph Willkofski, '32, March, 1976

Richard C. Mitchell is now attending graduate school at Iowa State University to obtain a master's degree in industrial relations.

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Craig Morgan has accepted a position with the firm of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner, and Smith.



June 30, 1976, the fiscal year comes to a close at Saint Joseph's. I want to thank all of you who have supported us with your cash gifts during this past year. The week of May 2 found several alumni, especially from the class of 1969, working with the annual phone-a-thon and in three evenings all those who participated in the work helped raise \$4,300 in pledges from the alumni in the Chicago area. If for some reason you have not yet contributed to the 1976 annual fund, remember you have until June 30 to do so.

During our summer meeting on July 9-10, the Alumni Association will sponsor a mini-weekend vacation for alumni. On the back pages of this issue you can read about the venture. I hope that many of you will be able to participate in this mini-vacation workshop. It was planned in such a way to give you a tax break in the process.

So take advantage of the minimal-cost weekend and bring your family to campus for a short vacation. By July, Lake Bonet should be ready for swimming and fishing, as well as the other activities you can read about in the brochure. So bring your family to the open air at Saint Joe's.

Sincerely,

Jim Madden
James E. Madden '64

Lilly Endowment grants \$150,000 for Core

Saint Joseph's College has received a grant of \$150,000 from Lilly Endowment, Inc., of Indianapolis for continued funding of the college's Core curriculum program.

The grant, the second for the funding of Core from Lilly Endowment, Inc., covers the 1975-76 fiscal year, according to Father Charles Banet, President of Saint Joseph's.

Dr. James B. Holdermon, Vice-President for Education of Lilly Endowment, Inc., explained that subsequent funding is contingent upon careful and positive evaluation by the Endowment's education staff.

"Saint Joseph's College is deeply grateful for the continued support of Lilly Endowment, Inc.," says Father Banet. "Such support reassures us and rededicates us to the goals of higher education for which we strive."

The Core curriculum is a unique, interdisciplinary approach to required general education courses which has brought Saint Joseph's national attention from educators and education associations.



Robert Benesh, senior class Vice-President, presents Father Charles Banet with a gift of \$1,000. This senior class gift will be used to help finish the redecorating of the Chapel. There are several memorial gifts available to our alumni if you would care to participate in the redecorating.



Zawodny succeeds Crowley in business affairs

It's not easy to make ends meet with inflation knocking at your door. Most Americans are well aware of this, whether they're buying a home, shopping for groceries or trying to squeeze a vacation into a tight budget.

Thomas F. Crowley has spent the last year as Saint Joseph's Vice-President for Business Affairs, and thanks in large part to his care and vigilance, the college has successfully fought galloping inflation with frugality on an individual and institutional basis.

Crowley left Saint Joseph's May 1 to become a financial consultant and controller for Edward J. Funk & Sons of Kentland, and was succeeded by Kenneth J. Zawodny, Director of the Computer Center.

Crowley has agreed to serve as a special consultant to the president and the college in business affairs, and he will continue to reside in Rensselaer. He also remains available for part-time teaching duties.

"I'm very happy to retain my close ties to Saint Joseph's, because this is very important to me," Crowley explains. "I look forward to continuing to help the college any way I can, because the school has a bright future I want to be a part of."

Reviewing his work in business affairs, Crowley says "we faced two major challenges—balancing our budget and improving our cash position. With respect to the first challenge, I'm happy to report that we will show a balanced budget this year, and as for our cash position, we have markedly reduced the amount of borrowing that we have to do. Both are signs of an improving financial profile."

It took a campus-wide effort to balance the budget, and Crowley points to this as a major satisfaction. "All members of our college family cooperated in this effort; we were helped by a good administration-faculty-student rapport, plus excellent outside support, such as the gifts from Lilly Endowment, Inc.," he explains.

"We took direct steps to control our budget—reducing expenses, raising fees and re-analyzing our auxiliary enterprises, such as the farms, summer projects and bookstore to make them income-producing," Crowley adds. "Naturally, these steps improved our cash position; we also re-analyzed our purchasing policies, negotiated governmental relief on certain debt payments and improved our collection procedures on student accounts."

Lastly, Crowley expresses a strong satisfaction with improvements made in Saint Joseph's physical plant.

"The campus face has been substantially uplifted through the many physical plant repairs and improvements conducted within the last year," he explains. "Last summer, for example, repairs and improvements were completed which were not only necessary but intensely satisfying to all of us who believe in Saint Joseph's."

"And it must be remembered that none of this would have been possible without the assistance of the capital gifts drive, typified by the excellent response the Neighbor Fund drew from our Rensselaer and area neighbors. You might say we have a long way to go, but we also have come a long way in a mighty short time."

Four Professors Receive Honorary Degrees

Saint Joseph's College presented honorary degrees Apr. 6 to three current professors and one professor emeritus who have served the academic community with distinction.

Honorees are: Paul E. Kelly, professor of marketing; Father Edward M. Roof, professor of Latin; Thomas M. Ryan, professor emeritus of education, and Father Urban J. Siegrist, professor of biology. When the current academic year ends, Kelly, Father Roof and Father Siegrist will join Ryan as professors emeriti.

Presentation of the honorary doctorates came during Saint Joseph's annual academic awards banquet in the college chapel dining room.

Kelly, a 65-year-old native of Loveland, Colo., joined Saint Joseph's faculty in 1950. He is Chairman of the Department of Business Administration and a professor of marketing.

Recipient of a master's degree in business administration from Colorado State College in 1941, he is a member of the American Management Association, American Marketing Association, American Association of University Professors, American Association of Personnel Managers and the Indiana Academy of Social Sciences.

Father Roof is a 73-year-old native of Ottawa, Ohio. Ordained to the priesthood in 1929, he joined Saint Joseph's faculty that same year as associate professor of Latin. Recipient of a master's degree from the Catholic University of America (Washington, D.C.) in 1931, he served as Director of Athletics during 1937-53 and during one year was President of the Indiana Collegiate Conference.

He subsequently became manager of the college bookstore, both during its years in the basement of Gaspar Hall and following its relocation to its current site in Halleck Center.

Ryan, a 69-year-old native of Dayton, Ohio, served Saint Joseph's as a professor of education during 1963-73. He earned bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Dayton

in 1929 and 1941, respectively, and was Superintendent of Schools at Coldwater, Ohio, during 1954-63.

He also served as Director of Guidance at Saint Joseph's. He is a member of several learned and professional societies, including the National Catholic Guidance Association, American Personnel and Guidance Association and the Indiana State Teachers Association.

Father Siegrist is a 67-year-old native of Macedon, Ohio. He earned a master's degree from the Catholic University of America in 1936 and a doctorate from Institutum Divi Thomae at Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1958.

Ordained in 1934, he joined Saint Joseph's faculty in 1936 and is a member of many professional and learned societies, including: Society of American Microbiologists, Indiana Academy of Science, National Association of Biology Teachers, American Nature Study Society, Society for the Study of Evolution, American Dairy Science Association and American Forestry Association.

eight seniors honored during awards dinner

Eight Saint Joseph's College seniors received awards at the annual awards dinner Apr. 6. Student honorees are:

Michael Benner, senior history major from Remington, Ind. Benner, son of Mrs. Margaret Benner, 523 Iowa Street, Remington, was the recipient of the Richard L. Kilmer Prize in History. A 1972 graduate of Tri-County High School, he has been on the Dean's List for the past three years.

Lawrence A. Bloemer, senior business administration major from Louisville, Ky. Bloemer son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bloemer Sr., 2137 Baringer Ave., Louisville, received the Indiana Association of Certified Public Accountants, Inc., Award; the Trustee's Business Award; and Saint Joseph's College Alumni Board Senior-of-the-Year Award. A 1972 graduate of Saint Xavier High School, Bloemer has been on the Dean's List all four years, was President of Blue Key in 1974-75; and was named to Who's Who Among American College and University Students.

Gary A. Burton, senior music major from Brook, Ind., received the John Heiman Award. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Burton, R.R. 2, Brook, Burton is a 1972 graduate of South Newton High School, Kentland. He has been named to the Dean's List every semester.

Cassian Cheung, senior business administration major from Hong Kong, China. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Kai Man Dominic Cheung, 29 Baquia Villa 24, Victoria Rd., he was the recipient of the Wall Street Journal Award. A graduate of Saint Joseph's College (Hong Kong) in 1972, Cheung has been on the Dean's List all four years.

Nan-Marie Jaeger, senior business administration major from Geneva, Ind., was the recipient of the National Observer Award. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jaeger, 815 Longmeadow Dr., Geneva, Miss Jaeger graduated from Geneva Community High School in 1972. Besides being on the Dean's List every semester, she was also named to Who's Who Among American College and University Students.

John D. Kirsits, senior accounting major from South Bend, Ind. Kirsits, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Kirsits, 2025 S. Swygart Street, South Bend, was the recipient of the J. Kevin Woods Memorial Award. A graduate of Jackson High School in 1972, Kirsits was named to the Dean's List in 1972.

Robert Lehmenkuler, senior music major from Springfield, Ohio, was the recipient of the Adam P. Lesinsky Award. Son of Dr. and Mrs. C. F. Lehmenkuler, 3172 Hampton Road, Springfield, Lehmenkuler graduated from Northwestern High School in 1972. Besides being a member of the band, he was elected president of that group in 1974.

Joseph J. Rasengarten, senior music major from Converse, Ind., was the recipient of the Louis B. White Award. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond E. Rosengarten, Converse, Rosengarten is a 1971 graduate of Oakhill High School. He is president of the chorus and also was on the Dean's List this year.

Fr. Froelich cites alumni role in placement

Further involvement of alumni in the operations of the Office of Career Development was stressed by Father James Froelich, Director of Guidance and Placement, during the Mar. 20 meeting of the Alumni Board of Directors.

Father Froelich explained the role of his office in orientation, commencement and placement, and stressed "the alumni have to be made more visible during the whole academic year, not only at Homecoming. Career days held here by some of the departments have been most helpful, and it might be good if we had an alumni-student day here once a month."

Job openings are of particular concern to the placement operation, and he encouraged more feedback from alumni concerning work opportunities. "Alumni are more aware of job openings than many of us on campus, and we must depend on alumni to find openings for our students."

He also called for more personal exposure of students to alumni who can offer jobs. "There has to be a greater sense of cooperation between the Admissions Office, Placement Office and the Alumni Office, so that we work together from beginning to end for the total education of the student."

Robert Ramesh, Vice-President for Alumni Relations, reported that considerable progress has been made in chapter development and reorganization. Meetings concerning this have been held in Chicago, Dayton, Fort Wayne, St. Louis, Indianapolis, Boston, New York, Northwest Indiana, LaPorte-Michigan City and South Bend.

It was announced that Homecoming is planned for Oct. 16, when the Pumas host Butler in football, and that 110 alumni recruiters are currently assisting the Alumni Office in contacting prospective students. Senior class officers indicate their class gift sentiment favors an altar for the renovated chapel.

The Alumni Board's next meeting is set for July 10.

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Mini-weekend vacation is designed to break away from the same old "summer nothing to do" weekend.

This educational and activity-filled weekend is for your entire family.

Where else can your family enjoy the lazy days of summer amidst long-time friends, and take part in seminars prepared especially for stimulating the mind, and participating in sports to relax the body?

Our weekend vacation offers the family cook-outs, swimming, tennis, golf and other planned activities for mom, dad, brother and sister. These activities will be under the direction of our professionally trained staff — Bill and Dins Jennings. (Directors)

In your leisure time, take advantage of seeing the "NEW SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE."

Just bring yourself, your family, pack your golf clubs, tennis racquets, and swim suits and be prepared for a stimulating and relaxing weekend.

ACTIVITIES —

Arrival and room assignments, plus outline for the weekend are scheduled for Friday afternoon. Seminars for mom and dad, plus sports activities for boys and girls begin early Saturday morning. A variety of activities are planned for each evening. On Sunday, after fulfilling our spiritual obligation, you can recapture the fun-filled weekend with a picnic at 11:30 at Lake Benet.

HOUSING —

Friday (July 9) through Sunday (July 11)

Halls of residence: Air-conditioned lounge plus comfortable air conditioned room with linen furnished. Includes two nights' lodging, one day of three full meals and one evening meal on Friday and brunch on Sunday.

SINGLE ROOM — 1 adult — \$30.00

DOUBLE ROOM — 2 adults — \$60.00

Children 16 years of age and under have free lodging.

MEALS ONLY — 1 child — \$6.00

(to age 16) *

* There are two beds per room in the halls of residence; however, if you wish to bring cots or sleeping bags for your children, they may share your room or a lounge designated as a dormitory for the children. You will be charged for their meals only.

Registration time: 4 - 6 p.m., Friday

Check out time: 6 p.m., Sunday

SEMINARS —

This mini vacation is no ordinary vacation. Stimulation of the mind is the focal point for this weekend.

There are no tests to take, no supplies to buy, no text to peruse, just listening and joining in group discussions following the lecture.

The seminar topics being offered for the weekend are:

Fr. Froelich, C.P.P.S. UPDATE — THE CHURCH TODAY
WILLS, TAXES, AND PROBATE PROCEDURES FOR THE FAMILY

William Fortin, Attorney

INNER WORKING OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Jim Madden, Alumni Board President

REGISTRATION —

To register for the mini-vacation please complete the pre-registration form. Housing costs are to be paid at the time of arrival.

Mail to:

Mini-Vacation

St. Joseph's College Alumni Association

Rensselaer, Indiana 47978

Saint Joseph's College Mini-Vacation Registration Form

Print Name _____ Spouse's Name _____

Home Address _____

Street City State Zip Code

Home Telephone _____

Children: Indicate those attending with you; give names and ages.

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____

Room Reservations:

I (we) would like _____ room(s) for _____ adults and _____ children.

THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED BY JUNE 15, 1976